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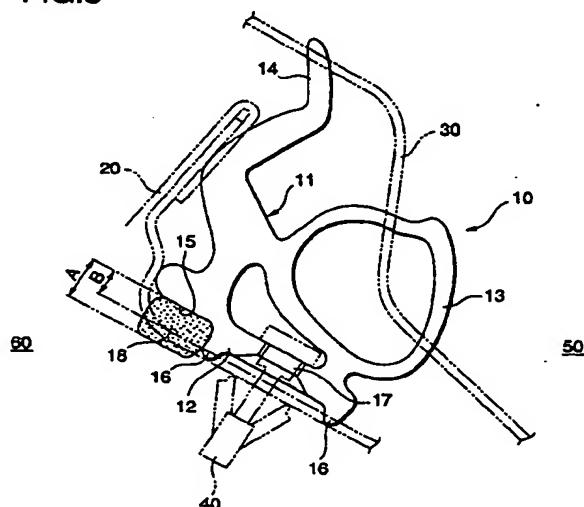
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(54) Retainerless weather strip

(57) A retainerless weather strip (10) to be fixed to a door panel (20) of an automobile by a clip (40), which comprises: a base bottom portion (12) to be attached to the door panel; a hollow seal portion (13) to seal between the door panel (20) and a body panel (30); and a seal lip portion (14), wherein the base bottom portion has a cutout-shaped step portion (15) formed at a lower end portion on the automobile exterior side of the base bottom portion (12), and the weather strip (10) further comprises a thick waterproof sponge member (18) provided on the cutout-shaped step portion (15). The thick waterproof sponge member (18) has a thickness sufficiently larger than the depth of the cutout-shaped step portion (15), and has an elasticity such that a portion in which the clip (40) is located and portions in which the clip (40) is not located can be equally elastically contracted when the base bottom portion (12) is fixed to the door panel by the clip (40) so that watertightness is kept between the thick waterproof sponge member (18) and the door panel (20).

FIG.3



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